

20,000 PERISH IN EUROPE WHILE CONGRESS TALKS

Republicans Block Legislation Looking Toward Aid of Stricken People—“Steering Committee” Has Charge.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17. (Sp.)—Not fewer than 20,000 persons have died of want in the famine-stricken countries of Europe while the house of representatives has held up action on the request for relief for these stricken people made several weeks ago. Representative Claude Kitchin charged on the floor of the house of representatives this afternoon.

Supplemented by Herbert C. Hoover, former food administrator, Carter Glass, then secretary of the treasury, asked congress several weeks ago to extend aid to these stricken peoples. The ways and means committee agreed to recommend an appropriation of \$50,000,000 for this purpose, but no action was ever taken. The responsibility, Democratic leaders in the house are charging, is with the Republican “steering committee,” without whose approval nothing ever gets to the house calendar.

Recently, the United States Grain corporation advised congress that it has on hand 5,000,000 barrels of flour which is clear profit from dealing in and selling wheat to foreign countries; that this flour can not be disposed of in the United States because it is made of the softer grains of wheat and is of an inferior quality to what American people demand, therefore, there is no market for it at home. If not disposed of before warm weather comes, it will spoil, and it was proposed to congress that this be substituted for the proposed \$50,000,000 appropriation. The ways and means committee amended the bill so that this might be done and “were assured that if we did report it out, the committee on rules would report a rule for its immediate consideration,” Mr. Kitchin said.

The bill was then reported out, Mr. Kitchin told the house, “and I was curious to know what has become of the assurance given to the chairman of the committee on ways and means by the committee on rules that if we did this, they would give us a rule.” Kitchin then told the house that since the committee reported out the first relief bill unanimously a month ago, at least 20,000 people have died in the very countries in which the bill was aimed to give relief.

The relief it is proposed to give, on the suggestion of the United States Grain corporation, could hardly be said to cost the country one penny, because the 5,000,000 barrels of flour which it is proposed to send to the famine-stricken peoples of middle Europe has no market in America, and will soon spoil, unless used. And yet, for some reason still unexplained, congress from which authority is desired to make this donation, has failed to act, although it has been several weeks since the first appeal for relief was made. This appeal has been made to all the world, in transmitting it to the board of governors of the League of Red Cross societies, Arthur J. Balfour, acting for the league of nations, said: “The catastrophe is of such unexampled magnitude that no organization less powerful than the League of Red Cross societies seems adequate to cope with it. There can surely never be an occasion calling more instantly for action.” Mr. Balfour added that the calamity “seems worse than the war itself.”

ENGLAND MAY GROW OWN SUGAR BEETS

LONDON, March 17. (By International News Service.)—A state subsidized scheme, with \$2,000,000 paid up capital, is being pushed so that England can turn out beet sugar for one million pounds. It is an effort to revive the home sugar industry which was crowded out a generation ago by English country gentlemen's estates and game preserves.

The government has subscribed half the capital, which may be doubled, and 6,000 acres have been purchased near Newark, where a sugar factory will be erected.

England today depends upon Cuba and Java for her sugar supply, although she has enough lands in her empire fit for sugar production to supply the whole world.

High sugar prices today are attributed here to the Cuban sugar corner.

PLAN AIR ROUTE LONDON TO MADRID

MADRID, March 17.—Spanish government authorities are planning to inaugurate a London-to-Madrid passenger service by airplane within a few months.

He May Seek Governorship



REUBEN L. HASKELL

Reuben L. Haskell, now King's county judge, plans to enter the race for governor of New York state on a wet platform, provided the other candidates fail to make a prohibition referendum the chief campaign issue.

LOW CUT WAISTS AND ROUGED LIPS FROWNED UPON

DENVER, Col., March 17. (By International News Service.)—Now come the boy students of Denver's South Side high school to put a crimp in the prosperity of Denver beauty shops.

Recently Miss Anne McKean Shuler, woman dean of the University of Denver, issued a ukase forbidding the code at that institution using powder puffs. Miss Shuler declared that a beautiful new rug that adorned the floor in front of a large mirror in the women's study at the university was becoming “horribly ragged” because so many girl students lingered in front of the mirror to use their powder puffs. Also, she said, men students breathing through the corridor can see the undisciplined performance.

At a meeting of the Mothers' congress and Parent-Teacher association a report was read from the boys of the South Denver high school denouncing the undisciplined of girl students who “roll themselves up” in drug store complexion, and issuing a warning that youthful schoolgirls who appear in class room attired like chorus beauties will be ostracized from social functions.

“No lips that are rouged, no cheeks that bloom like a drug store blush will appear at a dance with us,” the boys told the Mothers' congress.

Among other things, tabooed by the boys are: Bobbed hair, vanity cases, short skirts, low-cut waists, flimsy hosiery.

KENTUCKY CREATES A FOREST RESERVE

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 17.—Kentucky has assumed the lead among states south of the Mason-Dixon line in creating a forest reserve, according to J. E. Barton, Kentucky forestry commissioner.

This has been brought about, he said, by the recent acquisition of the Kentucky state forest, comprising 2,400 acres in Harlan county. Its expansion to approximately 7,000 acres is expected within a few months.

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TELLS HOW U. S. AND JAPAN MAY AVOID FRICTION

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Gen. Charles G. Sherrill, formerly adjutant-general of New York, who recently arrived on the Pacific coast from the Orient, has a plan that he thinks will eliminate all friction between the United States and Japan. His plan includes:

An amicable agreement for the decrease of the Japanese population on the Pacific coast and the consequent elimination of competition with American labor.

Obtain from Japan an assurance against threatening “Japanizing” of the Hawaiian Islands.

Japan to renounce any designs on the Philippines.

Gen. Sherrill says that he has already spoken of his plan to a number of Japanese diplomats and business men in Tokyo.

COLORADO LUMBER INDUSTRY IS LARGE

DENVER, Col., March 17.—Nearly 60,000,000 feet of lumber is being cut annually in Colorado, according to figures compiled by the district forester. There are 254 saw mills in operation in the state, 18 of them cutting from a million to five million board feet each year. The larger mills produce lumber for the general market, the smaller ones often supply only local demands.

Timbered areas in Colorado are the source of supply of large quantities of products which are made without milling. For example, many thousands of hewed railroad ties, mine timbers, props and mine timbers for local metal and coal mines; large quantities of cordwood, fence posts, poles and other products, such as house logs for ranches, settlers and miners, are produced from the timber of the state.

SWALLOWS FALSE TEETH.

CENTRALIA, Kas., March 15. (By International News Service.)—Mrs. Silas Blakely, of this place, swallowed a bridge containing four teeth while eating supper a few nights ago, but didn't discover the loss of the teeth until she had finished the meal. She was immediately rushed to a physician's office for an X-ray examination and operation.

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BUREAU OF WAR RISK INSURANCE IS UP WITH WORK

Former Service Men May Re-instate Insurance Which Has Lapsed Or Been Cancelled by Applying to Posts.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17. (Sp.)—The insurance division of the bureau of war risk insurance is virtually at the end of its period of congestion, which resulted from the great volume of work suddenly thrown upon it by the demobilization of the country's armed forces during the last year, according to a statement by Director J. C. Chalmers-Jones.

Former service men are now assured by the director that hereafter their letters of inquiry, etc., to the bureau will bring personal replies, rather than form letters, circulars, etc.

Records of accumulated work disposed of such an improvement in the expediting of business that it is predicted for the bureau that within a month the insurance division will be giving as rapid and accurate service as the most efficient managed organization in commercial life. For example, last October the number of unreported premiums was approximately 88,000. This has now been reduced to 18,000, or less than one day's work.

Unanswered mail in the insurance division shows a reduction of approximately 50 per cent from the daily balance of five months ago. It is expected that within two or three weeks

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Issuance of policies for the permanent (converted) government life insurance, which are desired by all the men who are insured, has been delayed pending the completion of legislation by congress, which has now been done. The new policies are now being completed by the actuaries and legal experts, and it is expected that they will be mailed out before June 1. The new policy has made the insurance more attractive by enlarging the list of permitted beneficiaries. Also the provision which permits lump-sum payments, at the option of the insured on the converted policies, adds to its attractiveness.

More than 165,000 applications for the conversion of war risk policies into permanent forms have already been received. An analysis of these shows that the 20-year endowment policy is most popular with the ex-service men, slightly more than half the conversions having been to this form.

Former service men desiring to reinstate war risk insurance, which has lapsed or been cancelled, or who wish to convert policies now in force, may apply to any post of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, or other organizations of former service men, to army, navy, or marine corps recruiting stations, to any state insurance commissioner, to any home service chapter of the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare board, Y. M. C. A. or other fraternal or welfare organization for the necessary blanks and information, or may write direct to the insurance division, bureau of war risk insurance, at Washington. The bureau reminds former service men whose insurance has lapsed or been cancelled that so long as they are without insurance they are without its protection, and urges them for their own best interests for reinstatement of their insurance without delay.

BRITISH WAACS DISBAND

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